

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

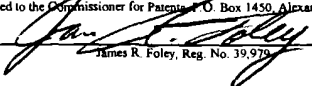
Applicants: Ebo H. Croffie et al.)
)
Filed: July 18, 2003)
)
For: PHASE EDGE DARKENING)
BINARY MASKS)
)
Art Unit: Not yet assigned)
)
Atty Docket No.: Case 02-6088)

Certificate of Mailing by "Express Mail"

Mailing Label Number: EV335604521US

Date of Deposit: July 18, 2003

I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office Box Addressee" service under 35 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.


James R. Foley, Reg. No. 39,979

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with Applicant's duty of candor under 37 CFR §1.56 and in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98, Applicant is not aware of any material prior art but, in an abundance of caution and candor, Applicant submits the present Information Disclosure Statement including the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are included herewith. This Information Disclosure Statement and the enclosures constitute a bona fide attempt to comply with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed along with the patent application and constitutes a bona fide attempt to comply with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: July 18, 2003

By: 

James R. Foley, Reg. No. 39,979

Attorney for Applicant

TREXLER, BUSHNELL, GIANGIORGI,
& BLACKSTONE, LTD.

105 West Adams Street, 36th Floor

Chicago, Illinois 60603-6299

Tel: (312) 704-1890

